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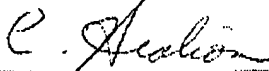
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Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

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Independent Claims	3	** 7	0	x \$100.00	x \$200.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$180.00	\$360.00	
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X Other enclosures: Appendix: 3 replacement formal drawings, 3 annotated drawings

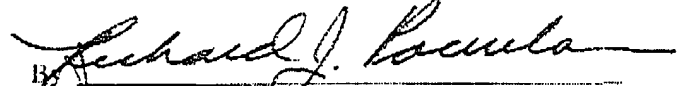
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**Amendment Transmittal Letter
Application No. 09/650,275**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by or to give effect to this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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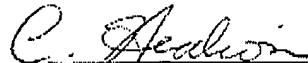
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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

An Appendix including proposed formal drawings, which has amended drawing figures and annotated versions thereof, is attached following page 3 of this paper.